Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Application No. 09/937,664

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-6 are pending in the application. Only claim 1 is rejected. Claim 1 has been

cancelled. Applicants thanks the Examiner for indicating allowance of claims 2-6.

Claim Rejections -103

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tanaka (JP 07-

281032) in view of Ohkawa (6,406,158). Applicants respectfully traverses this rejection for the

following reasons.

This rejection is moot in view of the cancellation of claim 1.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed

to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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